Regular Meeting of the Public Safety Committee Held in the Conference Room at City Hall January 25, 2016

Notice of this meeting was given to the public in compliance with Sections 10-15-1 through 10-15-4 NMSA 1978 and Resolution 15-56.

## **ROLL CALL**

The meeting convened at 3:00 p.m. with Chair Denny presiding and Councilors Sanchez and Velasquez present with Councilor Sandoval being absent.

Staff present: Mike Mathews, Chief Devin Graham, Chief Phil Smith, Deputy Chief Brad McFadin, Karen Sanders, Bill Bartlett and Todd Wildermuth.

Guest present: Larry Connolly, Greg Neal

# **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilor Sanchez moved to approve the January 25, 2016 regular Public Safety Committee Meeting Agenda as presented. Councilor Velasquez was the second. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion passed with Councilor Sandoval being absent.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Sanchez moved to approve the October 26, 2015 Public Safety Committee minutes. Councilor Velasquez was the second. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion passed with Councilor Sandoval being absent.

## **REGULAR ITEMS**

None

## **NON-ACTION ITEMS**

#### Police Department Report

Chief Smith discussed the year-end Police Department report and plans for the new year. Also discussed was the purpose and success of the SRO program in the schools. Councilor Sanchez asked when the last time the police department was fully staffed. Deputy Chief McFadin stated it has been approximately 11 years and continued by stating that the department is currently down 9 officers with several candidates in the hiring process. Councilor Velasquez asked about complaints against the department. Staff explained the procedure in addressing complaints and the benefits of the body cameras.

## Fire Department Report

Chief Graham gave an update on the Fire Department stating that currently there are 17 short on shift, with 13 in training academy. The Fire Department would like to complete fire training by March 3<sup>rd</sup> before moving onto medical training. Recent house fires that are still under investigation were discussed, along with recruitment and education requirements.

# Code Enforcement Report

Bill Bartlett discussed demolitions of recent house fires. Possible dates for the clean and safe program this year are March 1<sup>st</sup> through October 31<sup>st</sup>. Code Enforcement will be working with other city departments on the Community Investment Program from the month of May through August.

# **Emergency Management Report**

Karen Sanders gave an update on the winter storm, cost up to date and the process of applying for reimbursement.

# **ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 3:51 p.m.